May 9 [J. Randall Head of Elk to Capt Atkisson, Sloop Fly]

Sir You will Please to Proceed to Annapolis where I expect you will have to take on Board some Cloathing or Stores, for the Maryland Troops. You'll apply to the Governor and Council for Instructions should you arrive there before me

May 10 (See Liber C C No. 22 p. 100)

[David Poe Baltimore to His Excellency Governor Lee]

Sir I received Your Excellencies favour of the 8<sup>th</sup> Instant the Order mentioned in the Letter on the Collector Was not Inclosed Owing I suppose to Multiplicity of Business on hand. Please to let M<sup>r</sup> Farmer have it, who will contrive it to me. If Your Excellency should not have a speedy conveyance as I can do but Little untill it arives for Want of cash

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[John Baxter, Baltimore to J. T. Chase]

[Regrets he can not send money but has had the accounts for collection for two weeks only. He will begin to collect them soon and hopes to bring in a tolerable good sum, He thinks he is not bound to pay over collections until July 1.]

May 11 [W. Smith, Baltimore, to His Excy. Thos. Sim Lee Esqr]

Sir I am directed to acknowledge receipt of a letter from the Council dated the 8th Instant sign'd J. T. Chase Prest addressd to the commissioners of Baltimore Town, inclosing a resolve of the general Assembly respecting a Loan of two hundred thous<sup>d</sup> pounds. On receipt of this letter the inhabitants were immediately convened, and the requisition laid before them. It appeared, unanimously, to be the wish & desire of every one present, to comply fully with the demand from the assembly, but the great scarcity of cash amongst the trading people here at present, has prevented their complying so fully as they wish'd to do, for so Laudable a purpose. Inclosed you have a list of the money now sent by your returned express amounting to £100,845..o..o which is the whole that is yet collected you may I presume expect the further sum of Thirty or forty thousand pounds more, in a few days, you may rely on every thing being done to promote this business that possibly can.

You'll please to observe there is £593..13..4 hard money amongst that now sent, which the several subscribers agree to receive again either in Specie or continental at Sixty for one. Many persons have offerd to contribute on this occasion, provided they may be allow'd to pay in such kind of goods as may be necessary for the officers & Soldiers.

When the collections are compleated you shall be furnished with the list of the whole the present being imperfect. Many persons having only paid in part